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SEZ PROJECTS SUPPORTED BY WORLD BANK
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Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) the details of SEZ projects sanctioned by the Union Government with the support of World bank during the last two years, State-wise;

(b) whether the World Bank has put specific conditions with regard to implementation of such SEZ projects by which employment opportunities for Indian people is bleak;

(c) if so, the details of such projects thereof; and

(d) the reaction of the Government thereto?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY (SHRI JAIRAM RAMESH)

(a) Special Economic Zones (SEZs) are primarily being set up by State Government Undertakings, their Joint Ventures with private companies or by the Private Companies on stand alone basis. No proposal has been approved by the Central Government for setting up of SEZs with the support of World Bank.

(b) to (d) : Does not arise.